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- ☐ This application relies, under 35 U.S.C. § 120, on the earlier filing date of prior application Serial No. [SERIAL NUMBER], filed on [FILING DATE], and the references cited therein are hereby referenced, but are not required to be provided in this application under 37 CFR § 1.98(d).

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- ☐ attached hereto is the fee of \$180, as set forth under 37 CFR §1.17(p), for submission of this Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR. § 1.97(c); OR
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- ☐ Applicant hereby respectfully petitions for the consideration of the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR § 1.97(d)(2); AND
- ☐ Applicant submits the petition fee of \$180 as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(p).

☒ Applicant submits that no fee is required for the consideration of the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement.

Consideration of the listed references and favorable action are solicited.

Respectfully submitted,  
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